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Electric Installation in Gover ment buildings: Procedure for the maintenance of **

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

Public Works Department.

Resolution No. 9100/36.

Bombay Castle, 29th January 1948.

Read Government Resolution, No. 7102/27, dated the 20th October 1932.

Read Government Memorandum , Separate Department, No. 20/1227, dated the 10 the June 1947, addressed to the Executive Engineer , Electrical Division.

Memorandum No G. 55/2575, dated the 5th November 1947 from the E Electrical Engineer to Government as under .-

2. Although the work of cleaning and dusting the electric installa tions does not involve any technical knowledge, the persons entrusted w with the work are necessarily required to take certain precautions, while carrying out such work as otherwise there is a possibility of some accident or other risk of damages to the electric installations. It ha been the experience during the last fifteen years that the necessary precautions were not always taken by the menial staff and as a result of mishandling the electric fittings, frequent repairs had to be carried out to the electric installat on every year.

3. In this connection, it may be stated that the Finance Department proposal to do the work of cleaning etc/ under the supervision of the Electrical Department is neither advanta-geous nor advisable firstly because such arrangements would require additional supervisory staff, which can itself carry out the work of cleaning etc. much more rapidly and efficiently than through the untrained menial staff of other depar ments, and Secondly because in the event of an accident, the supervisо staff of other depart the Electrical Department will always throw the sponsibility of ha and blame for the accident on the ignorant untrained staff of other departments. I am strongly of the opinion that the Electrical Department should take full and complete responsibility of handling all the electric installations belonging to Government and the practice of training non-technical persons from other departments i carrying out certain foutine typies of duties like cleaning the electri installations and running the electric pumps is defective.

4. In view of the remarks made above, it is strongly recommended th thework of cleaning and dusting should be restored to the Electrical Department, which is responsible for the satisfactory maintenance of entire electric installation. The necessary additional staff, which w be required by the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, can be entertained by the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, by debitin 's cost to the repair grant of the installation concerned.

RESOLUTION .* Orders have been issued in Government Resolution No. /27, dated the 26th October 1932, that all heads of offices should have lamps, fans and fittings in their offices property dusted by their inferior establishment and also see that the installation is kept in a clean condi In modification of these orders, Government is now pleased to direct that above work shold be attended to by the Electrical Department, at places where a subordinate or an officer of that Department is stationed.

By order of the Governor of Bom

K.D.Kotwal,

Under Secretary to Government

G.R. No. 9100/36, P.W.D, dated the 29th January 1948.

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Resolution of reasonableness of rent.
Certificate regarding - to be issued by Executive Engineer in respect of private buildings.

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

Public Works Department.

Resolution No. 8185/36.

Bombay Castle , 9th April 1948.

Letter No. G.R. 12 dated 17th January 1948, from the Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle, as under --

"I have to forward herewith the copies of the marginally* noted

(1) Collector of Dharwar's letter No. P.W.D. dated the 14th October 1947.

(ii) Commissioner, Southern Division's endorsement no. P.W.D. dated the 22nd October 1947 on the above letter.

(iii) This office endorsement No. G.R. 12 dated the 5th November 1947.

(iv) Commissioner, Southern Division's Letter No. P.W.D. dated the 6th December 1947

correspondence between the District Magistrate Dharwar, the Commissioner, Southern Division and this office for favour of

persual and issuing necessary further orders in the matter.

2. The Commissioner, Southern Division, has ordered in his letter No. P.W.D. dated the 6th December 1947 that both the certificates, viz. 1) regarding the reasonableness of rent and (ii) non-availability of suitable Government Building should be issued by the Executive Engineer of the Division concerned and the District Magistrate should countersign them. I do not agree with the Commissioner's interpretation of the orders in this connection.

"3 It is quite clear from paragraph 1 (2) (ii) read with paragraph 2(2) of the Government Resolution referred to above that the certificate of reasonableness of rent is to be issued by the District Magistrate and that for non-availability of Government buildings is only to be issued by the Executive Engineer concerned.

"4. In the circumstances stated above, I request that Government may kindly be moved to issue clear orders in the matter for future guidance."

Resolution - Government is pleased to direct that the certificates regarding (i) reasonableness of rent and (ii) non-availability of a suitable Government building as required by Rule 2(2) (ii) in Section I of Appendix XVII to the Bombay Public Works Department Manual, Volume II, should in future be issued by the Executive Engineer of the Division and countersigned by the District Magistrate concerned."

By order of the Governor of Bombay.

K.M.KANTAWALA.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

8185/36, P.W.D. dated 9th April 1948.

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Government residence in Bombay and Poona occupied by the Honourable Ministers, the Honourable the President, Legislative Council, the Honourable the Speaker, Legislative Assembly, and Parliamentary Secretaries

Rules for the occupation of

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY
Public Works Department
Circular Memorandum No. 8460/36-III
Bombay Castle, 27th August 1948.

GOVERNMENT CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

Government is pleased to direct that the rules for letting and occupation of Government residences, included in Appendix XVIII to the Bombay Public Works Department Manual, Volume II, do not apply to the Honourable Ministers, the Honourable the President , Legislative Council, the Honourable the Speaker and the Parliament -ary Secretaries. The occupation of the residences in Bombay and Poona by these officials is governed by the rules appended to this Resolution, vide appendix A.

2. The Parliamentary Secretaries, when provided with Government quarters, should cease to ~~be~~ draw house rent allowance of Rs. 100, per mensem from the date th ey occupy Government residences allotted to the, They are, now- -ever, liable to pay taxes for specific services includ- ing charges for water, halakhore and electric energy consumed in respect of these quarters as is the case with other tenants.

By order of the Governor of Bombay.

K.M.KANTAWALA,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To

The Honourable the Premier.
The other Honourable ministers.
The Honourable the President, Legislative Council.
The Honourable the Speaker, Legislative Assembly.
The Parliamentary Secretaries,
The Chief Secretary to Government.

The Secretary , Bombay Legislature Department. Department.
The Private Secretary to the Excellency the Governor.
The Finance Department
All other Departments of the Secretariat
The Collector of Bombay.
The Collector of Poona,
The Superintending Engineer, Central Circle.
The Superintending Engineer, Bombay Circle,
The Public Health Engineer to Government,
The Electrical Engineer to Government,
The Accountant General , Bombay (through the Finance Department)
The Executive Engineer, Presidency Division
The Executive Engineer, Poona West Division,
The Executive Engineer, Electrical Division.

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Accompaniment to Government Circular Memorandum. public Works Department, No. 2460/36-III, dated the 27th August 1948.

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APPENDIX - A.

Rules for occupation of Government residances for the Honourable Ministers , the Honourable the President, Legislative Council, the Honourable the Speaker, Legislative Assembly, and the Parlimentary Secretaries.

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(1) Government residences in Bombay and Poona are allotted to the Honourable Ministers, the Honourable the President, Legislative Council, and the HonoURable the Apeaker, Legislative Assembly, without payment of rent or any assessment, tax, x rate or cess due to Government or any local authority, the residences being furnished. These conditions also hold good when they retain residences in Bombay in addition to those allotted to ehm in Poona.

(2) The occupants including the Parlimentary Secretaries are required to give intimation regarding connection or disconnection of the electric supply to the supply undertaking or the Company and the Executive Engineer in charge of the residences as, under Government circular Memorandum No. C.W. 12414*, dated 12th August 1921, they are held responsible for the consumption of any energy between the date of their vacating the residances and the date of disconnection of the installa tion.

(3) All bulbs required for these resieances either for the first installation of electric wiring, or for replacement due to breakage, or wear and tear should be supplied by Government at the rate of one bulb per socket. When the residneces remain vacant, the electric staff shouldkeep thebulbs in safe custody till such time as they are required again.

(4) The storage of grass or of quantities of other inflammable materials in any protion of the residance or its outhouses, excepting such protions as may be specially set apart for the purpose, is prohibited.

(5) Charges for x sweepers engaged for cleaning the water closets, bath rooms and compounds of these residences, as well as x charges for electric energy consumed have to be borne by the occupants concerned during x the period the residences are in their occupation.

(6) The gardens attached to these bungalows should be maintained by Government including pay of the malis, charges for water, etc.,

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* Printed as an Appendix B on the reverse.

APPENDIX * B

Electrical Installations in Government Bungalows.

Government of Bombay.
Public Works Department,
Circular Memorandum No. C.W. 12414.
Bombay , 12th August 1921.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

In Government ~~xx~~ Order No. C.W. 18071, dated 25th October 1920, it is laid down that when a Government bungalow or residence fitted with an electric installation is likely to fall vacant, intimationthereof shouldbe given to the local officers under the Electrical Engineer to Government When such an intimation is given the officer concerned will arrange for the installation in the bungalow to be disconnected at once. Should an officer fail to give such intimation, the installation will be disconnected b y the Electrical Company at the end of any month during which no current is consumed and the officer will be held responsible for any cqrrent consumed between the date of his vacatingthe bungalow and the date of disconnection of the installation. The reconnection fee should, however, be paid by the incoming ~~x~~ tenant.

2. Some cases have occured recently where officers have failed for ~~x~~ several months to pay bills for electrical energy supplied by the Company andall officers who reside in Government bungalows provided with electric installation are informed that the Electric Supply Company has power, under section 24 of Indian Electricity Act, 1910, to cut off the supp y of electricity fnm a consumer who fails to pay bills for energy supplied after ~~the date~~ due notice has been given.

The Electric Supply Company concerned has been asked to avail themselves of the powers given them under section 24 of theAct, in any case of non-psyment ~~gt~~ of accounts in the future. Should it be necessary for an Electric Supply Company to disconnect an installation for this reason the officer who has failed to pay his dues to the Company will have to pay theusual reconnection fee.

By order of the Government of Bombay
(Transferred Department)

C.G. HAWES,
Under Secretary to Government.
Roads andBuildings.

To
All Departments of theSecretariat.

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